

NO Plastic Bags in Your Recycling Bin!

- Plastic bags tangle up and get stuck in recycling sorting equipment. This causes workers to have to stop the machinery, climb up on the machines and cut plastic off up to 4 times per day.
- Leave your recyclables loose in your cart or bin.
- Gather your plastic bags and other plastic films (bread bags, zip-top bags, film around water bottles, toilet paper, paper towels, etc) and bring back to the grocery store, Target or Wal-Mart.
- To learn more about what types of plastic film are recyclable and where to recycle it, visit www.plasticfilmrecycling.org.



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St. Croix County Recycling Newsletter



Your Wasteline

RECYCLING CONSERVES RESOURCES

When we recycle, used materials are converted into new products, reducing the need to consume natural resources. If used materials are not recycled, new products are made by extracting fresh, raw material from the Earth, through mining, oil extraction, and forestry.

Our environmental awareness has improved over the past few decades. For example, paper recycling in the USA increased by nearly 90% from 1990 to 2010, and paper – and paperboard content of municipal solid waste decreased by more than 20% from 2000 to 2012.

Although about 50% of all municipal waste could be recycled – the national average for recycling is only 34%. Recycle rates vary by material type with the highest recycle rate for paper (65%), steel (33%), glass (26%), aluminum (20%), and only 9.5% for plastics.

Even though recycling is now mainstream and generally accepted – there is much room to improve. Look at aluminum can recycling for example. These are easy to recycle and can go from new can to waste aluminum then back to being a new can in as little as two months! Despite the great recycling potential of aluminum cans (and other aluminum products, too), we still don't recycle nearly enough. In 1998, less than two-thirds of aluminum cans were recycled, but even this saved 95% of the energy needed to make aluminum out of bauxite ore. This would be enough to provide for energy needs of a small country of 2-3 million inhabitants for 10 years!

The simple truth is that aluminum can be recycled over and over again, thus having great energy-saving potential. By recycling just one aluminum can, we save enough energy to power a television for a few hours, listen to a full album of music on an iPod, or light a room for a few hours.

Do what you can to practice and promote recycling in your community.

Electronics Collection

At the demand of our residents and municipalities for convenient electronics recycling, the county is again sponsoring an electronics recycling events this summer!

Date: *Saturday, June 15, 2019*

Saturday, September 15, 2019

Time: *9 am – 1 pm*

Location & Fees: *See Calendar of Events insert for more information on location and fees.*

Recycling Specialist Update

Our St. Croix County Recycling Specialist has moved on to a new opportunity in February. The County is actively searching for a replacement. Please have patience with the program during this process. For further information regarding the open position please check the County website, www.sccwi.gov



Your Wasteline



St. Croix County Compost Bin Sale

The St. Croix County Recycling program is once again selling compost bins to promote backyard composting and waste reduction in the county. The bins hold 17 cubic feet or 125 gallons of material. They are just shy of 3 feet wide and 3 feet tall. They come in four pieces and assembly takes about two minutes to complete.

Cost: \$60

How to Order:

- Visit our website www.sccwi.gov/recycling and click on the link under Compost Bin Sale.
- Payment is online with a debit or credit card

Pick-up Dates:

- May 2-3, 2019 from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Pick-up Location:

- St. Croix County Ag Center, 1960 8th Ave, Baldwin
- FYI: be careful using a GPS device to find our office, some will direct you several miles south of Baldwin. We are located in Baldwin right off of Highway 63 near Flagship Ford.



New Solid Waste and Recycling Management Plan Adopted

On August 7th, 2018 the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors adopted an updated and revised Solid Waste and Recycling Management Plan for the county to provide program direction. The plan was last amended in 1981. The current plan describes current conditions, trends, and issues facing the county as the county continues to grow and demographics change.

The complete plan can be viewed on the county web site (www.sccwi.gov) under Recycling. It is an excellent reference providing the history of solid waste management, recycling, and status of current operations and activities on-going in St. Croix County.

Ready – Get Set – Clean Sweep

The Clean Sweep Hazardous Waste Collection is a popular program amongst county residents. Here are a few things you can do to help us efficiently serve you and minimize your time spent at Clean Sweep:

- Check with your neighbors, friends and family members to see if they have any hazardous waste to dispose of and combine together in one trip instead of everyone taking separate trips.
- Separate out any cans of latex paint from the rest of your hazardous waste so our contractor can quickly assess what fees you owe. Write out your check while waiting in line or have your cash ready.
- Set aside a block of time as wait times can exceed 45 minutes during peak hours. We try our best to move residents through the line efficiently and serve you in the order you arrived, but safety is our number one priority.
- Please stay in your vehicle while waiting to be unloaded at Clean Sweep. This is for your safety and helps our contractor work more efficiently. They will unload your vehicle and make sure your trunk/tailgate/hatch is closed before you leave.

2019 Recycling Guide

	Phone number	Aerosol Cans	Aluminum Cans	Ammunition	Appliances	Automotive Waste	Batteries	Carpet	Cell Phones	Compressed Gas Cylinders
Advanced Disposal Transfer Station	715-749-3855				x			x		
Appliance-B-Gone	715-690-5353				x					
Baldwin Police Dept	715-684-3856			x						
Batteris Plus & Bulbs	715-352-1432						x		x	
Best Buy	651-739-1899								x	
Bro-Texm Inc	651-272-7227							x		
Carpeting by Mike	715-247-3244							x		
County Market	715-386-8214		x							
DRJ Scrap Metal	715-408-4466									
E-Cycling	715-381-5900	x			x		x			
ESW	715-231-9725									
Fed Ex Store	715-381-3164									
Fire Extinguishing Equipment LLC	715-796-2607									
Gary's Scrap Metals	715-248-3847		x							
Glenwood City PD	715-265-4228			x						
Goodwill										
Gregorson's Hardware	715-684-3246				x		x			
Habitat For Humanity Restore	715-760-3456				x					
Hammond PD	715-796-2345			x						
Home Depot	715-531-1416									
Hudson PD	715-386-4771			x						
Jerry's Inc	715-425-2706, option 2		x							
JR's Advanced Recyclers	651-454-9215				x					
Kadinger Auto	800-367-2773		x							
LAD Auto Crushing	715-294-3220									
Local Eye Clinic										
Local Hospital or Nursing Facility										
Local Lions Club										
New Richmond Auto Salvage	715-246-6975	x								
New Richmond PD										
North Hudson PD										
ProAce, Inc	888-388-7108									
ProAct, Inc	715-410-4216									
River Falls Ace Hardware	715-425-1775									
River Falls PD										
Sears Hometown Store	715-425-2400				x					
Somerset Auto Salvage	715-247-5753	x								
Somerset PD	715-247-3319			x						
St. Croix County Ag Center	715-531-1930						x		x	
St. Croix County CDD	715-386-4680						x		x	
St. Croix County Sheriff's Dept										
St. Croix Electric Cooperative	715-796-7000						x		x	
Target	715-381-0469									
Town of Richmond Recycling Center	715-690-4661									
Treasures From the Heart	715-425-9771									
Treasures From the Heart	715-684-2545									
Twin City Refuse	651-237-9516									
UPS Store	715-386-2222									
Village of Roberts PD										
Waste Management Transfer Station	888-960-0008									
We Do Feet	715-781-0622									
Woodville PD										

For items in yellow please see our A-Z recycling guide

Spring 2019 Clean Sweep Hazardous Waste Collection

Dates: Friday, May 17 and Saturday, May 18

Times: Farms & Businesses: Friday 9 – 11 am
Households: Friday 12-5 pm & Saturday 9 am – 1 pm

Location: County Highway Shop, 666 E Hwy 12, Town of Hudson

Businesses: Businesses must generate less than 220 lbs of hazardous waste per month to qualify as a very small quantity generator (VSQG) to be eligible to participate. The business collection is a fee for service event. Businesses must pre-register for the event by calling 715-531-1907 or downloading the form from our website and e-mailing it to the address on the form by Friday, May 10 at 4 pm.

Farms: Farms need to pre-register for the event by calling 715-531-1907 or downloading the form from our website and e-mailing it to the address on the form by Friday, May 10th at 4 pm. The first 500 lbs of qualifying hazardous waste is free. Fees for latex paint will apply to farms, please see fee schedule for more information.

Households: Households do not need to pre-register. Most items, with the exception of latex paint, are accepted without any charge. Fees charged for latex paint are by the size of the can, not the volume of paint within the can. Please combine cans if possible to save some money. Please see our fee schedule for more information on the latex paint fees.

For more information on the Clean Sweep program please visit the recycling website at www.sccwi.gov/recycling and click on "Clean Sweep Hazardous Waste Collection Program" or call the county recycling specialist at 715-531-1907.



Clean Sweep Fees

Latex Paint ~ 5 gallon pail: \$25,
Gallon: \$5, Quart: \$2, Pint: Free

*The fees are based on the size of the can, not the volume of paint within the can. Please combine latex paint into cans to save money.

*There is no longer a fee for fluorescent light bulbs, batteries and oil filters.

*Payment is by cash or check only.

The following items **ARE ACCEPTED** at Clean Sweep

Aerosol cans
Air fresheners
Antifreeze
Adhesives & Glues
Cleaners & spot removers
Corrosives & lye
Drain & toilet bowl cleaners
Fertilizer
Fluorescent lights
Household rechargeable batteries
Latex Paint*
Mercury thermometers & thermostats
Oil filters
Oil paint, shellac, varnish, stain, etc.
Old fuel
Paint stripper & solvents
Pesticides, insecticides, herbicides, etc.
Polishes
Propane cylinders (both 1# & 20#)
Roofing tar & driveway sealant

The following items **ARE NOT ACCEPTED** at Clean Sweep

Appliances
Biological, medical & infectious waste
Electronics
Explosives (gunpowder, ammunition & fireworks)
Motor oil
Needles & sharps
Spray Foam Insulation Cylinders

For more information on the Clean Sweep program please visit www.sccwi.gov/recycling. Click on the Chemicals/Hazardous Waste link for the Clean Sweep website or call the county recycling specialist at 715-531-1907.

St. Croix County General Recycling Guidelines

ALUMINUM

- Pop & beer cans, cat food cans
- **NO** clean foil or pie tins (bring to scrap metal dealer)



TIN CANS

- Soup, vegetable, fruit and broth cans
- Metal caps from bottles, jars and frozen juice



GLASS BOTTLES & JARS

- Food jars
- Beer, wine and liquor bottles
- **NO** windows, dishes, Pyrex, ceramics or light bulbs

MIXED PAPER

- Paper must be clean and dry
- Newspaper and all inserts
- Envelopes-with or without a window
- Magazines and catalogs
- Office paper and Post-It notes
- Phone Books
- Paperback Books



CARDBOARD

- Clean, corrugated cardboard-break down & flatten
- Paper grocery bags
- Cereal, granola bar, cake and other baking boxes-remove plastic liners
- Manila envelopes and file folders
- **NO** pizza boxes



PLASTIC BOTTLES

- #1 & #2 Bottles
- Milk jugs, soda & water bottles, laundry detergent
- **NO** plastic bags, egg cartons, berry containers, Styrofoam



How to Prepare Your Recyclables:

- Empty contents of containers
- Labels do not have to be removed
- Rinse clean and allow to dry
- Do not put recyclables inside plastic bags

Other Items That May Be Recyclable in Your Community:

- Plastic Food & Beverage Containers #3-5
- Shredded Paper
- Plastic Film and Bags
- Milk, Juice and Broth Cartons
- Empty Aerosol Cans
- Frozen or refrigerated food boxes

Please check with your hauler or local drop off facility to see what is recyclable in your community



For more information on the St. Croix County Recycling Program contact:

Recycling Specialist
715-531-1907
cdd@sccwi.gov

Online: www.sccwi.gov/recycling



www.facebook.com/sccwirecycling



www.pinterest.com/stcroixcounty

Garbage & Recycling Haulers in St. Croix County

- Advanced Disposal: 651-487-8546
- Murtha Sanitation: 715-684-3700
- Olson Sanitation: 715-247-3440
- Paul's Industrial Garage (PIG): 715-792-5209
- River City Disposal: 715-425-2141
- Waste Management: 888-960-0008
- Waterman Sanitation: 715-268-6471



ST. CROIX COUNTY RECYCLING 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS "KNOW WHERE TO GO"

**FRI & SAT
MAY
17-18**

CLEAN SWEEP HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

FRIDAY, MAY 17TH, 9-11 AM (BUSINESSES & FARMS) & 12-5 PM (HOUSEHOLDS)

SATURDAY, MAY 18TH, 9 AM-1 PM (HOUSEHOLDS)

ST. CROIX COUNTY HIGHWAY SHOP, 666 E HWY 12, TOWN OF HUDSON

Farms with up to 500 pounds of waste are fee exempt. Small businesses (those generating no more than 220 pounds of hazardous waste per month) may participate on a fee for service basis. Farms and businesses must pre-register by Friday, May 10th by calling 715-531-1907.

**SAT
JUNE
15**

APPLIANCE & ELECTRONICS COLLECTION

CITY OF HUDSON (285 KRATTLEY LN, NORTH HUDSON) 8 AM – 1 PM

TOWN OF SOMERSET (RECYCLING CENTER, 748 STATE RD 35, SOMERSET) 8 AM – 1 PM

VILLAGE OF WOODVILLE (BEHIND UNITED FIRE HALL, 216 RIVER ST, WOODVILLE) 8 AM – 1 PM

Electronics Collection Fees					
CD Player	\$15	Monitor (CRT-over 18")	\$35	TV (14-19")	\$30
Cell Phone	Free	Printer (Small)	\$15	TV (20-27")	\$35
Copier (Small)	\$25	Printer (Large/Laser)	\$35	TV (28" and larger)	\$55
Copier (30-50 lbs)	\$60	Scanner	\$15	TV (Console)	\$55
Copier (Over 50 lbs)	\$135	Small Radio	\$15	TV (Plasma/LCD 4-20")	\$20
Computer/Laptop	\$15	Stereo Receiver	\$25	TV (Plasma/LCD 21" +)	\$30
Fax Machine	\$20	Stereo (Console)	\$50	Typewriter	\$15
Keyboard & Mouse	Free	Telephone	\$3	UPS/Battery Backup	\$25
Modem (External)	\$10	Treadmill	\$25	Vacuum Cleaner	\$15
Monitor (CRT-up to 17")	\$30	TV (13" and smaller)	\$25	VCR/DVD Player	\$15

Appliances Collection Fees					
Air Conditioner	\$10	Humidifier	\$10	Water Softener	\$10
Dehumidifier	\$10	Microwave	\$10	Gas Air Conditioner	Call for Price
Dishwasher	\$10	Refrigerator	\$10	Gas Refrigerator	Call for Price
Dryer	\$10	Stove/Oven	\$10	Commercial Units	Call for Price
Freezer	\$10	Washing Machine	\$10		
Furnace	\$10	Water Heater	\$10		

**SAT
JUNE
15**

TIRE COLLECTION

CITY OF HUDSON (285 KRATTLEY LN, NORTH HUDSON) 8 AM – 1 PM

TOWN OF SOMERSET (RECYCLING CENTER, 748 STATE RD 35, SOMERSET) 8 AM – 1 PM

TOWN OF RICHMOND (RECYCLING CENTER, 1428 100TH ST, NEW RICHMOND) 9 AM – 1 PM

Prices: Car: \$5 w/o rim or \$6 w/ rim; Truck: \$6 w/o rim or \$10 w/ rim; Tractor: \$20; Heavy Equipment: \$30; Bicycle: \$0.50.

**SAT
SEPT
14**

APPLIANCE & ELECTRONICS COLLECTION

TOWN OF TROY (RECYCLING CENTER, 277 TOWNSVALLEY RD, RIVER FALLS) 8 AM – 1 PM

TOWN OF RICHMOND (RECYCLING CENTER, 1428 100TH ST, NEW RICHMOND) 9 AM – 1 PM

GLENWOOD CITY (BEHIND RECYCLING CENTER, 216 W OAK ST, GLENWOOD CITY) 8 AM – 1 PM

****See June 15th Appliance & Electronics Collection for fee info**

**SAT
SEPT
14**

TIRE COLLECTION

TOWN OF TROY (RECYCLING CENTER, 277 TOWNSVALLEY RD, RIVER FALLS) 8 AM – 1 PM

TOWN OF BALDWIN (RECYCLING CENTER, 2399 90TH AVE, BALDWIN) 8 AM – 1 PM

Prices: Car: \$5 w/o rim or \$6 w/ rim; Truck: \$6 w/o rim or \$10 w/ rim; Tractor: \$20; Heavy Equipment: \$30; Bicycle: \$0.50.

**FRI
SEPT
27**

CLEAN SWEEP HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH, 9-11 AM (BUSINESSES & FARMS) & 12-5 PM (HOUSEHOLDS)

ST. CROIX COUNTY HIGHWAY SHOP, 666 E HWY 12, TOWN OF HUDSON

Farms with up to 500 pounds of waste are fee exempt. Small businesses (those generating no more than 220 pounds of hazardous waste per month) may participate on a fee for service basis. Farms and businesses must pre-register by Friday, September 20th by calling 715-531-1907.

St. Croix County Recycling Trends

From the St. Croix County Solid Waste and Recycling Management Plan 2018:

- Weight of recyclable materials collected in the County has decreased from 5,994 tons in 2010 to 5,427 tons in 2015. This is likely due to the “light-weighting” of packaging materials by manufacturers. The volume has stayed the same or increased.
- The amount of hazardous waste collected during the Clean Sweep programs has increased from 39,914 pounds in 2010 to 47,239 pounds in 2015.
- The amount of unwanted prescription and nonprescription medicine collected has increased from 400 pounds in 2011 to 1,329 pounds in 2015. Demand is expected to increase as the county population ages.
- The number of opportunities for recycling items such as electronics and appliances has decreased within the private marketplace in the County.
- Demand for recycling services is increasing at the same time that state grant support is decreasing.

New Waste & Recycling Containers at County Parks

Recycling will now be even more convenient at our county parks. The recycling program is planning to update the waste and recycling bins over the next several years. Keep your eyes open for the new containers to start popping up this spring and summer around our county parks! Remember to recycle your bottles, cans, paper and cardboard while you enjoy our beautiful county parks. No need to separate your recyclables—all recycling can be mixed together in the recycling bins at the park!

